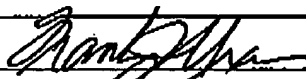
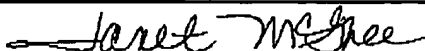


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AMENDMENT

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This response is being submitted in reply to the Office Action of April 6, 2005. In response to the Office Action, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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